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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
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Section 63.71 Application of)
ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc.)
For Authority to Discontinue Provision of)
Certain Resold Interexchange Services)

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AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION

ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc., d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom d/b/a Grapevine ("ITC^DeltaCom"), through its attorneys, respectfully submits this amendment to its application for discontinuance filed on July 20, 2005.

BACKGROUND

On July 20, 2005, in accordance with section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, ITC^DeltaCom filed an Application to discontinue its Grapevine product, which is a bundled service offering of local and long distance services sold to residential customers throughout the nine states in BellSouth's region, including, without limitation, Louisiana and Mississippi. In the Application, ITC^DeltaCom stated that it intended to discontinue service to customers on November 30, 2005, and that it would provide the required notice of discontinuance to customers on September 1, 2005. Subsequent to filing its application for discontinuance and prior to sending out the customer notification letters, Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast, affecting the mail delivery to a small percentage of ITC^DeltaCom's customers in the affected areas in Louisiana and Mississippi. In light of Hurricane Katrina, the Commission has requested information from ITC^DeltaCom regarding (1) providing notice to

customers in the affected areas; and (2) the number of customers whose service was affected by the Hurricane.

RESPONSES TO THE COMMISSION'S INQUIRY

1. Providing Notice to Customers

In light of Hurricane Katrina, ITC^DeltaCom postponed sending notices to any of its customers until September 16, 2005. A copy of the notification letter is attached as *Exhibit A*. On that date, ITC^DeltaCom sent notices to all of its customers, including customers in Louisiana and Mississippi, with the exception of 277 customers with a total of 288 lines (108 lines in Louisiana and 180 lines in Mississippi) to which mail could not be delivered. ITC^DeltaCom determined the number of lines/customers to which it was not able to send a notification by comparing the billing zip code of its customers against the United State Postal Service database of zip codes that are not deliverable or are partially deliverable. A copy of the breakdown of customer lines by zip code is attached as *Exhibit B*.

ITC^DeltaCom intends to resend this same customer notice to all customers approximately forty-five days prior to the planned discontinuance date of November 30, 2005.

2. Number of Customers without Telephone Service


The Commission also has requested that ITC^DeltaCom identify the number of customers that are without telephone service due to the hurricane. As of September 30, 2005, ITC^DeltaCom has determined that only eleven lines are in areas that do not have telephone service. ITC^DeltaCom relies on the Unbundled Network Element Platform ("UNE-P") from BellSouth to provide residential service to its customers. Therefore, ITC^DeltaCom determined the number of lines that were affected by the hurricane by comparing the list of its customers

against the list of BellSouth central offices that were affected by the hurricane as identified at www.interconnection.bellsouth.com/network/disaster/mrdrdocts/current_report.doc.¹

CONCLUSION

ITC^DeltaCom has taken reasonable efforts to provide ample notification to its customers and to ensure that customers that are unable to be notified will not lose telephone service. For the reasons specified in its initial application and in accordance with this amendment, ITC^DeltaCom respectfully requests that the Commission grant the discontinuance request for ITC^DeltaCom's Grapevine service.

Respectfully submitted,


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¹ At any given time, it is possible that customers not served by the affected central offices also may have reported trouble on their lines.

Exhibit A



IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR GRAPEVINE ACCOUNT

September 16, 2005

Dear GrapeVine Customer:

We're contacting you and other GrapeVine customers to let you know that we are planning to discontinue the GrapeVine services and products due to recent federal regulatory rulings that have greatly increased costs. We have notified the affected state public service commissions of the discontinuance and requested permission from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to discontinue the GrapeVine services. This was a difficult business decision to make and we apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Please make arrangements with another provider of local telecommunications services by **November 30, 2005** in order to ensure your order is processed in time to avoid a service interruption and to avoid losing your current telephone number. Customers using GrapeVine services who have not made arrangements for local service from other providers will be disconnected on **November 30, 2005** or as soon thereafter as practical.

Generally, you can find a list of local service providers in your local telephone directory. Please feel free to contact us at 866.259.1000 if we may assist you in any way during this transition.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington DC 20554 referencing the § 63.71 Application of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Sincerely,
GrapeVine Customer Care
1-866-259-1000

Exhibit B

City	State	Zip	# of Lines
Gulfport	MS	39501	12
Gulfport	MS	39503	20
Gulfport	MS	39506	1
Gulfport	MS	39507	6
Bay Saint Louis	MS	39520	9
Diamondhead	MS	39525	1
Biloxi	MS	39530	4
Biloxi	MS	39531	3
Biloxi	MS	39532	9
Biloxi	MS	39533	1
Diberville	MS	39540	1
Escatawpa	MS	39552	2
Gautier	MS	39553	12
Kiln	MS	39556	4
Long Beach	MS	39560	9
Moss Point	MS	39562	19
Moss Point	MS	39563	14
Ocean Springs	MS	39564	13
Ocean Springs	MS	39565	6
Ocean Springs	MS	39566	2
Pascagoula	MS	39567	11
Pass Christian	MS	39571	4
Perkinston	MS	39573	2
Saucier	MS	39574	6
Waveland	MS	39576	2
Wiggins	MS	39577	2
Pascagoula	MS	39581	5
Metairie	LA	70001	1
Des Allemands	LA	70030	2
Buras	LA	70041	2
Destrehan	LA	70047	2
Nairn	LA	70050	1
Gramercy	LA	70052	1
Gretna	LA	70053	1
Hahnville	LA	70057	1
Harvey	LA	70058	2
Kenner	LA	70062	1
Kenner	LA	70065	1
La Place	LA	70068	2
Luling	LA	70070	1
Lutcher	LA	70071	4
Marrero	LA	70072	3
Port Sulphur	LA	70083	1
Saint James	LA	70086	6
Avondale	LA	70094	2
New Orleans	LA	70113	1
New Orleans	LA	70114	1
New Orleans	LA	70117	3
New Orleans	LA	70118	4
New Orleans	LA	70119	2

Harahan	LA	70123	3
New Orleans	LA	70125	1
New Orleans	LA	70126	2
New Orleans	LA	70127	2
New Orleans	LA	70129	1
New Orleans	LA	70131	2
Lake Charles	LA	70601	12
Lake Charles	LA	70605	4
Lake Charles	LA	70607	5
Lake Charles	LA	70611	10
Deridder	LA	70634	14
Evans	LA	70639	1
Iowa	LA	70647	1
Merryville	LA	70653	2
Singer	LA	70660	1
Vinton	LA	70668	2
Lines with no/partial			288
postal services			
as of 9/30/05			

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APPLICATION

ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc., d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom d/b/a Grapevine ("ITC^DeltaCom"), pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71 hereby respectfully submits this Application to discontinue its Grapevine products. Grapevine is a bundled offering of local and long distances services sold to residential customers in the BellSouth region.¹ ITC^DeltaCom relies on the Unbundled Network Element Platform ("UNE-P") to provide local service to these residential customers from BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. However, ITC^DeltaCom has determined that it is more cost effective to discontinue the local and long distance bundled offering to residential customers rather than migrate these residential customers to resale or UNE-L service. ITC^DeltaCom is a nondominant provider of local and long distance services. The information required by Section 63.71(b) is set forth below. ITC^DeltaCom understands that its application will be automatically granted on the 31st date following the release date of the Public Notice of ITC^DeltaCom's discontinuance application without further action from the Commission unless the Commission advises ITC^DeltaCom to the contrary.

- I. Pursuant to Section 63.71 (b)(1) through (5) (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b) (1) through (5)), ITC^DeltaCom submits the following information:

A. Name and address of carrier.

ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc., d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom and d/b/a Grapevine

7037 Old Madison Pike, Suite 400
 Huntsville, AL 35806

B. Date of planned service discontinuance

¹ Currently ITC^DeltaCom provides the Grapevine product to approximately 10,600 residential customers in the BellSouth region.

The anticipated date for the discontinuance of the Grapevine product described below is November 30, 2005, or as soon thereafter as the necessary governmental approval can be obtained.

C. Points of geographic areas of service affected:

The proposed discontinuance will affect the provision of Grapevine services in the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

D. Brief description of the type of service affected

Local service provided to residential customers on or through UNE-P and long distance services bundled with the Grapevine service. No other products or services are affected.

E. Method of Notice to Customers

As stated each of ITC^DeltaCom's residential customers purchasing the Grapevine service will receive a letter notice. Copies of the notice letter are attached.

F. Nondominance of the carrier with respect to the service being discontinued.

ITC^DeltaCom is a non-dominant carrier with respect to the services it proposes to discontinue.

G. Service

In accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules, ITC^DeltaCom has mailed a copy of this application to the Governors of the affected states, to all affected state public utility commissions and to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the Secretary of Defense.

H. Additional questions regarding this Application may be addressed to:

Nanette S. Edwards
Vice President Regulatory
ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc.
7037 Old Madison Pike, Suite 400
Huntsville, AL 35806
PH: (256) 382-3856
FAX: (256) 382-3936

II. Circumstances of Discontinuance

ITC^DeltaCom has determined that recent regulatory rulings have made it unattractive to offer residential local service via UNE-P.

III. Conclusion

ITC^DeltaCom believes that the proposed discontinuance of service is reasonable and necessary. For the foregoing reasons, ITC^DeltaCom respectfully requests pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended 47 U.S.C. § 214(a) and Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 application to discontinue the Grapevine services.

Respectfully submitted,



Nanette S. Edwards
Vice President - Regulatory
ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc.

Dated July 18, 2005

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR GRAPEVINE ACCOUNT

September 1, 2005

<Customer>
<Address 1>
<Address 2>
<City, ST ZIP>

Dear Grapevine Customer:

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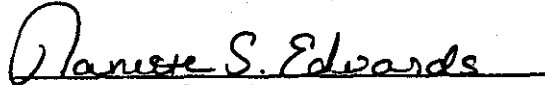
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Sincerely,
GrapeVine Customer Care
1-866-259-1000

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

On behalf of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc., I hereby certify that the statements in the foregoing Application for Section 63.71 authority are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief and are made in good faith.



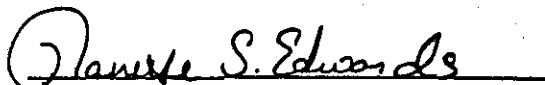
Nanette S. Edwards

Vice President - Regulatory

Date: July 18, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the July 18, 2005 version of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc., was served on July 18th by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons at the addresses on the attached list.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Nanette S. Edwards", is written over a horizontal line.

Nanette S. Edwards
Vice President Regulatory
ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc.

Dated: July 18th, 2005

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